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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF BELGIAN CURFEW REGULATIONS

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- 1. PANAM BRUSSELS REP WILLIAM O'GORMAN HAS INFORMED US THAT PANAM IS READY TO FILE SCHEDULE CHANGE WITH BELGIAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES TO TAKE EFFECT IN MAY 1975. IN PLACE OF BOEING 747, PANAM IS PLANNING OT USE 707 ARRIVING BRUSSELS 2345 HOURS. PANAM ANTICIPATES PROBLEMS IN OBTAINING AGREEMENT FROM BELGIANS TO THIS CHANGE BECASUE AFTER 2300 HOURS CURFEW REGULATIONS IN EFFECT AT BRUSSELS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT RESTRICT PERMISSIBLE NOISE LEVEL OF INCOMING AIRCRAFT. 747S MEET BELGIAN NOISE REQUIREMENTS, BUT 707S DO NOT.
- 2. PANAM PROPOSES THAT EMBASSY COMMUNICATE TO BELGIAN GOVERNMENT OUR HOPE THAT SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO PANAM'S PROPOSED CHANGE, WHICH MAY REQUIRE AN EXCEPTION TO CURFEW REGULATIONS. OUR DEMARCHE WOULD BE COORDINATED WITH PANAM'S OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION TO BELGIANS OF INTENDED CHANGE. WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO ASSSITING PANAM IN THIS MATTER, IF DEPARTMENT CONCURS.

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3. O'GORMAN HAS RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM PANAM HEADQUARTERS

TO THE EFFECT THAT PANAM MANAGEMENT HAS ALREADY DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH DEPARTMENT AND THAT DEPARTMENT HAS AGREED TO INSTRUCT EMBASSY BRUSSELS TO SUPPORT PANAM REQUEST AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED SUCH AN INSTRUCTION. END UNCLASSIFIED

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4. COMMENT: PRELIMINARY SOUNDINGS WITH BELGIAN AUTHORITIES SUGGEST THAT PANAM'S FEARS ARE WELL-FOUNDED THAT EXCEPTIONAL TREATMENT IN THIS MATTER MAY BE DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN. THE BELGIANS MAY TAKE THE POSITION THAT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REASONS THE SHOULD NOT GRANT EXCEPTION PANAM IS PROPOSING, ESPECIALLY SINCE PANAM'S PRESENT 747 SERVICE TO BRUSSELS MEETS CURFEW REQUIREMENTS. GIRESTONE

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